

Kentucky School Library Media News

Common Core Standards

During the 2010-11 academic year, schools and districts have begun to implement the Kentucky Core Academic Standards for mathematics and English/language arts (ELA). For accountability purposes, the Kentucky Core Academic Standards will not be used for state assessment until the 2011-12 academic year. The Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) created crosswalk documents to assist in the transition. Access the ELA Crosswalk *Guide* here. Access the ELA Crosswalk here. The American Association of School Librarians (AASL) created a crosswalk for library standards and common core ELA standards that you can access here.

School media librarians will play an integral role in the implementation of the new English Language Arts standards, particularly in the areas of research, technology and literacy. When classroom teachers seek school librarians' assistance in teaching these skills, librarians must be ready to help. Below is a link to the main page of the standards, as well as links to specific pages that will be important to you as you make purchasing plans and create activities for the 2011-12 school year. Although specific titles are given as illustrative texts, many classroom teachers will want the exact titles listed. Consider this as you examine your collection and plan future purchases.

Main page for Common Core Standards: http://www.corestandards.org/

- English Language Arts Standards
- Sample texts referenced for K-5
- Sample texts referenced for 6-12
- Range of text types for K-5
- Range of text types for 6-12

Find a Book Kentucky



KDE recently partnered with MetaMetrics, Inc. to promote use of The Lexile Framework[®] for Reading in Kentucky's schools.

Students, parents, teachers and librarians are encouraged to visit Find a Book Kentucky to build custom reading lists of books based on interest levels and Lexile reading measures of students. Click the Find a Book Kentucky icon above, or go to www.lexile.com/fab/ky to get started, and follow these simple steps:

- Enter a Lexile measure or choose options under "I don't know my Lexile measure."
- 2. Choose interest categories.
- 3. Refine search results using the sidebar tools.
- 4. Print a personalized reading list.

Find information here about The Lexile Framework® for Reading and how its use can impact instruction in Kentucky's school library media centers.

Beyond Proficiency your library

Updates

Section: "Characteristics of Highly Effective Teaching and Learning in the Library"

- added link to Thinkfinity resources
- revised links to Jefferson County resources
- added link to common core standards
- added annotated bibliography

Note: Refresh your browser each time you go to your bookmarked *Beyond Proficiency* @ *your library* to get recent updates.

Summer Reading Programs

The Kentucky Department of Education encourages all students to read during the summer by participating in Kentucky's Summer Reading Programs at local public libraries. Find out how you can support your local public library's Summer Reading Program by participating in an all-day workshop in your area.

Contact Kathy Mansfield for registration information.

February 1: Pulaski County Public Library February 2: Edmonson County Public Library February 10: Boone County Public Library

February 18: Marion County Public Library

February 24: Woodford County Public Library March 4: Corbin Public Library

March 8: Morgan County Public Library
March 16: McCracken County Public Library

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Resources and Recommendations

Professional Resource Highlight: TeachingBooks.net



Experience

TeachingBooks.net throughout your school district — for free, from now through August.

TeachingBooks is offering every district in Kentucky the opportunity for unlimited access, complimentary trainings and much more.

Go to http://teachingbooks.net/Kentucky.

TeachingBooks.net is ...

- * a transformative digital library of multimedia resources supporting every book being read in the K-12 curriculum
- * a connector to books and authors with original movies and audio productions of author interviews, book readings, author name pronunciations and more
- * a time-saving professional development tool with thousands of readings, book discussion guides, author websites and other valuable tools, all evaluated for quality
- * an equity tool that connects all readers with authors -- anywhere, anytime

To sign up for this semester-long trial:

Step 1: Explore TeachingBooks.net with interim access at http://TeachingBooks.net/Kentucky.

Step 2: Decide whether you and your colleagues would like to experience these resources through the semester and summer.

Step 3: Let your library, reading or curriculum directors know so that they can request this offer by writing to Nick Glass, the founder of TeachingBooks, at nick@TeachingBooks.net.

Contest Highlight: Learning4Life in My School Library Video Contest

Students are encouraged to submit videos to the American Association of School Librarians detailing how their school library and technology empowers them to be Learners4Life.

Click the link above for details.

Media Resource Highlight: Tales2Go

Tales2Go gives parents and educators access to over 1,300 audio titles from leading publishers and storytellers. Up to five Apple mobile devices (i.e. iPhone, iPod Touch, iPad) can be used on each account, thus allowing for multiple classroom use. A free subscription for schools is offered between January and June 2011.

Curriculum Resource Highlight: <u>Library Services:</u> <u>Linking Literacy to ELL</u>

Oldham County High Library Media Specialist Sue McHargue and KDE Library Media/Textbooks Consultant Kathy Mansfield teamed up with three English Language Learner (ELL) teachers to make a webinar demonstrating how school libraries can support ELL students. You can view an archived version on TeacherTube here.



Video Highlights:

- What Does a Teacher Librarian Really Do?
- Copyright Basics

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Information and Updates

Congratulations 2010 Kentucky School Media Association (KSMA) Award Winners!

Outstanding School Media Librarian
Mary Mattingly Elliott, South Green Elementary, Glasgow Ind.
Outstanding School Library Web Site Award
Sally Horowitz, Northside Elementary, Woodford Co.
Donna Hornsby Joint Technology Project Award
Eddie Fossett and Laura Younkin, Ballard High, Jefferson Co.
KSMA Service Award for School Administrators
Tammie Franks, Principal, Harrison Elementary, Fayette Co.

KSMA Award of Merit

Harrie Buecker, Superintendent, Franklin Co.
Eleanor W. Simmons Memorial Grant
Leslie Wright, Heath High, McCracken Co.
KSMA Student Technology Award
Cole Murray

Jesse Stuart Media Award

Heather Henson, Children's Book Author



Mary Mattingly Elliott 2010 Outstanding School Media Librarian

Nominate individuals for 2011 KSMA awards here.

Professional Organizations

Kentucky School Media Association (KSMA)

www.kysma.org

Kentucky Library Association (KLA)

www.kylibasn.org/

American Association of School Librarians (AASL)

www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/aasl

American Library Association (ALA)

www.ala.org

Kentucky Reading Association (KRA)

www.kyreading.org

KY School Library Media News Archives

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Links to KDE Content Area Newsletters

Arts and Humanities
Literacy Link
Science Elementary
Science Middle School
Science High School

Library Legislative Day: February 9

Library Legislative Day is designated each year to concentrate legislators' awareness on libraries of all types across Kentucky. Librarians from all over the Commonwealth are encouraged to visit with their legislators in Frankfort on this day. For more information visit http://kpla.org/committees/advocacy-committee/.

American Library Association (ALA)
Annual Conference

June 23-27, 2011 New Orleans, La.



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